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1. POST CORRECT IN VIEW PARA 1 REFTEL A THAT THOSE
INDOCHINESE ACCEPTED FOR RESETTLEMENT IN NZ ARE NOT ELIGIBLE
FOR PROGRAM REFTEL B. ONLY IN UNLIKELY EVENT THAT REFUGEES
WOULD REACH NZ AS STAGE IN ESCAPE FROM HOMELAND BY BOAT
(PRIORITY 3) OR PLANE (PRIORITY 4), WOULD NOT BE ACCEPTED
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BY NZ, AND WOULD QUALIFY UNDER CATEGORIES I, II, OR III,

MIGHT THEY BE ADMITTED TO U.S.

2. THERE IS NO "FAMILY REUNIFICATION ACT PASSED BY CONGRESS" AS ALLEGED BY PAROLLEE. THE EPP FOR 11,000 INDOCHINESE WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH CONGRESS; CATEGORY I OF THAT PROGRAM, DESCRIBED REFTEL C AND MODIFIED AFTER 30 JUNE 76 IN REFTEL B, EFFECTS FAMILY REUNIFICATION. THE GENERAL PREMISE OF THE PROGRAM IS, OF COURSE, THAT REFUGEES WILL BE CONSIDERED UNDER THE PRIORITIES AND CATEGORIES OF EPP ONLY IF THEY CANNOT REMAIN IN PRESENT LOCATION. EXCEPTIONS ARE SOMETIMES MADE WHEN SPOUSES, OR PARENTS AND MINOR CHILDREN, OR OTHER PARTIES CLOSELY RELATED AND CRITICALLY DEPENDENT ON EACH OTHER ARE SEPARATED. POST CAN SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS IN THOSE CASES, BUT ONLY IN EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES WILL APPROVAL BE GIVEN FOR INDOCHINESE IN NZ. NUMBERS IN 11,000 PROGRAM NEARLY EXHAUSTED, EXODUS FROM INDOCHINA TO FIRST ASYLUM AREAS CONTINUES, AND RESOLUTION OF BOAT CASES NOW HAS VERY HIGH PRIORITY.
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